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1. RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT (2 sheets).

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In re the Application of: Jason Bauer	Date: 2 December 2003
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner For Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed 8 November 2004 in the above-identified case. A shortened statutory period for response has been set for 1 month, up to and including 8 December 2004.

Claims 1-37 were presented for examination. Said claims now stand subject to restriction. In response thereto, Applicant, through his undersigned attorney, sets forth the following remarks.

THE REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

Restriction has been required to one of the following alleged species of the claimed invention:

- a. A buffing head with a restrictor.
- b. A buffing head having a restrictor and a well for containing fluid.

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- c. A buffing head having a well for containing a fluid.
- d. A buffing head having a plurality of rotary elements and shafts.

THE ELECTION

For purposes of immediate examination, Applicant hereby elects the following alleged species:

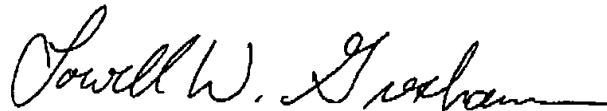
- 1. Species "a."; A buffing head with a restrictor.

Claims 1-20, 29-32, and 36 are readable on the elected species.

This election is made without right of traverse but without prejudice to the subsequent filing of a continuing or divisional application directed to the non-elected species.

Should there be any questions or remaining issues regarding the foregoing, the Examiner is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned attorney for a speedy resolution.

Respectfully submitted,



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